

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The listing of claims below replaces all prior versions of claims in the application.

1. (Cancelled)

2. (Currently amended): ~~The~~ An electric double layer capacitor ~~according to claim 1,~~
comprising two plate-like polarizable electrodes stacked in layers via a separator, the electric
double layer capacitor being constituted by housing the electrodes and separator in an outer
packaging lid and an outer packaging case, the outer packaging lid having an upper portion and a
lower portion with a diameter defined larger than that of the upper portion,

wherein a contact area between a first polarizable electrode arranged above in the outer
packaging lid and the outer packaging case and the separator is different from a contact area
between a second polarizable electrode arranged lower than the first polarizable electrode and
the separator, and the first polarizable electrode is thicker than the second polarizable electrode,

wherein the first polarizable electrode and the second polarizable electrode have a
generally equal volume.

3. (Currently amended): ~~The~~ An electric double layer capacitor ~~according to claim 1,~~
comprising two plate-like polarizable electrodes stacked in layers via a separator, the electric
double layer capacitor being constituted by housing the electrodes and separator in an outer
packaging lid and an outer packaging case, the outer packaging lid having an upper portion and a
lower portion with a diameter defined larger than that of the upper portion,

wherein a contact area between a first polarizable electrode arranged above in the outer packaging lid and the outer packaging case and the separator is different from a contact area between a second polarizable electrode arranged lower than the first polarizable electrode and the separator, and the first polarizable electrode is thicker than the second polarizable electrode,

wherein the contact area between the ~~first~~ second polarizable electrode and the separator and the contact area between the ~~second~~ first polarizable electrode and the separator have a relative ratio of 10:8 to 10:5.

4. (Currently amended): The electric double layer capacitor according to claim 2,

wherein the contact area between the ~~first~~ second polarizable electrode and the separator and the contact area between the ~~second~~ first polarizable electrode and the separator have a relative ratio of 10:8 to 10:5.